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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
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Dear Supervisors:

COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES DEPARTMENT: ACCEPTANCE OF FUNDS FROM THE UNITED WAY – EMERGENCY FOOD AND SHELTER PROGRAM (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

SUBJECT

The Community and Senior Services (CSS) Department has been awarded Stewart B. McKinney Act funding in the amount of \$23,666 for the Emergency Food ("Foodnet") Program pantries operated throughout the County. The federal grant funds are passed through the United Way to CSS and will augment local food commodity donations to the network of eleven CSS operated community and senior centers. The grant covers the period of November 1, 2007 through October 31, 2008.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Accept the Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) Phase 26 of the Stewart B. McKinney Act funds in the amount of \$ 23,666.
2. Authorize the Director of CSS or designee, to use the EFSP funds to purchase food from the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank and the Food Bank of Southern California in an amount not to exceed the grant funds.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

The local Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Board issued a Request for Proposals for Phase 26 of the EFSP in September 2007. CSS submitted a proposal to supplement the Department's existing Emergency Food Distribution Program, and on March 11, 2008, the Department was awarded \$23,666. The recommended action will

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allow CSS to continue the Emergency Food Distribution Program in all Supervisorial Districts. Distribution of food is based upon FEMA formulas and federal poverty guidelines which identifies the needs of the various predetermined Service Planning Areas (SPA'S). The EFSP grant funds are projected to serve approximately 94,664 meals to area residents.

Funding allocations based upon FEMA guidelines are projected to result in the distribution of meals as follows:

Number of Clients Served by Supervisorial District

District 1:	34,423
District 2:	34,423
District 3:	8,606
District 4:	8,606
District 5:	8,606

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

The recommended actions support the County's Strategic Goal of Service Excellence.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

This program is fully financed by federal funds. Adequate funding has been included in the Department's FY 2007-08 Adopted Budget and the FY 2008-09 Proposed Budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

CSS was awarded \$23,666 to purchase food from the Los Angeles Regional Food Bank and the Food Bank of Southern California. Food is obtained at 23 to 25 cents per pound, although the retail value is approximately sixteen times greater. Distribution and use of the food to be purchased with the EFSP grant funds will be based on identified needs of the various "SPA'S" and federal poverty guidelines. The chart below details the distribution.

Agency Area	Projected Supervisorial District Amounts					Total Amounts
	1	2	3	4	5	
SPA 1: Antelope Valley						
SPA 2: San Fernando Valley			\$2,151.46		\$2,151.46	\$4302.92
SPA 3: San Gabriel Valley	\$3,585.75					\$3,585.75
SPA 4: Metro Los Angeles	\$1,434.31					\$1,434.31
SPA 5: West						
SPA 6: South Central Los Angeles		\$6,454.35				\$6,454.35
SPA 7: East Los Angeles	\$3,585.75	\$1,075.73				\$4,661.48
SPA 8: South Bay/Harbor		\$1,075.73		\$2,151.46		\$3,227.19
Total	\$8,605.81	\$8,605.81	\$2,151.46	\$2,151.46	\$2,151.46	\$23,666.00

The Department's Emergency Food Distribution Program "Foodnet" operates food pantries through its network of Community and Senior Centers (Attachment A). The EFSP meals augment other USDA commodities that CSS receives and distributes to the unemployed, low income, homeless, and senior citizens residing within the County.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The recommended actions for the EFSP will enhance current services and ensure continuation of the Department's Emergency Food Distribution Program.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachment

c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
 County Counsel
 Community & Senior Services

Attachment A

Community & Senior Services 2006/07 Foodnet Emergency Food Distribution Sites

Service Center	Supervisory District	SPA's Served	Telephone	Distribution Day	Link to DPSS*
Centro Maravilla 4716 Cesar E. Chavez Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90022	1 st	3, 4, & 7	(323) 260-2804	Daily Monday - Friday	Yes
East Los Angeles 133 No. Sunol Drive Los Angeles, CA 90063	1 st	3, 4, & 7	(323) 260-2806	Every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday	Yes
San Gabriel Valley 1441 Santa Anita Avenue S. El Monte, CA 91733	1 st	3 & 7	(626) 575-5431	Every Tuesday 9-12 a.m. 1-3 p.m.	Yes
Los Nietos 11640 W. Slauson Avenue Whittier, CA 90606	1 st	3 & 7	(562) 699-2040	2 nd & 4 th Friday of the Month	Yes
Asian Service Center 14112 S. Kingsley Drive Gardena, CA 90249	2 nd	6 & 7	(310) 217-7300	Every Monday afternoon	Yes
East Rancho Dominguez 4513 E. Compton Boulevard Compton, CA 90221	2 nd	6 & 8	(310) 603-7401	2 nd & 3 rd Thursday of the Month	Yes
Florence/Firestone 7807 S. Compton Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90001	2 nd	6	(323) 586-6502	Monday thru Friday	Yes
Willowbrook Senior Center 12915 Jarvis Avenue Los Angeles, CA 90061	2 nd	6	(310) 603-3358	2 nd & 4 th Wednesday 10:00 a.m.	No
San Fernando Valley 7555 Van Nuys Boulevard Van Nuys, CA 91405	3 rd	2	(818) 901-3501	9 - 12 p.m. every Friday	Yes
San Pedro Service Center 769 W. Third Street San Pedro, CA 90731	4 th	8	(310) 510-6091	Every Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday.	Yes
Santa Clarita Valley 24271 San Fernando Road Newhall, CA 91321	5 th	2	(661) 726-4400	Monday thru Friday 1-4 pm	Yes

*Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) has been participating at the above service centers offering clients applications for eligibility of food stamps.